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Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, §1.97-1.98, Applicant hereby calls the following documents to the Examiner's attention:

U.S. Patent No. 5,838,480, to MCINTYRE et al., which issued on November 17, 1998;

U.S. Patent No. 5,870,659, to MARUYAMA, which issued on February 9, 1999;

U.S. Patent No. 6,028,688, to IIZUKA, which issued on February 22, 2000;

U.S. Patent No. 6,084,696, to HAMA, which issued on July 4, 2000;

U.S. Patent No. 6,115,164, to KAMIKUBO, which issued on September 5, 2000; and

U.S. Patent No. 6,124,962, to KAMIKUBO, which issued on September 26, 2000.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the above materials and cite the patent documents. Copies of the above-noted documents are attached and have been listed on a PTO-1449 Form which is also attached hereto. Accordingly, the Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached PTO-1449 Form and to return a copy of the Form to the Applicant with the next official communication in the present application to confirm

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consideration of these documents.

Applicant also brings to the Examiner's attention the following copending and commonly assigned patent application:

U.S. Patent Application No. 09/484,445, to TAKEUCHI et al., which was filed on January 18, 2000.

A copy of the above-noted application is attached hereto.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted, Junji KAMIKUBO

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